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SUBJ: CAGLAYANGIL COMMENTS ON HIS WASHINGTON TRIP

1. FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL TALKED TO PRESS MARCH 15 CONCERNING  
U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONS AND HIS UPCOMING TRIP TO WASHINGTON.  
HIS COMMENTS HAVE APPEARED ONLY IN AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS  
SUPPLEMENT, PULSE, PUBLISHED IN ANKARA.

2. ACCORDING TO THAT ACCOUNT, CAGLAYANGIL DENIED THAT ANY OF  
THE JOINT TURKISH-U.S. INSTALLATIONS HAD BEEN REACTIVATED.  
HE SAID THAT ALL SUCH INSTALLATIONS WERE PRESENTLY UNDER  
TURKISH COMMAND AND RUMORS THAT THEY ARE OPERATING ARE  
TUTALLY UNTRUE.

3. CONCERNING HIS WASHINGTON VISIT, CAGLAYANGIL SAID HE  
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WILL CONDUCT TALKS ON VARIOUS TOPICS OF MUTUAL INTEREST

WITH THE UNITED STATES. THESE TALKS, HE POINTED OUT, SHOULD BE REGARDED AS A CONTINUATION OF TALKS BEGUN DURING SECRETARY KISSINGER'S VISIT TO TURKEY. HE SAID, "I HOPE THAT DURING THE VISIT ESPECIALLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS WILL BE OBTAINED FOR BOTH SIDES AS A RESULT OF EFFORTS WHICH WE HAVE EXERTED FOR SOME TIME AND THAT WE WILL THEN BE ABLE TO PLACE THE TURKISH-AMERICAN BILATERAL DEFENSE COOPERATION ON A NORMAL COURSE."

4. CAGLAYANGIL ALSO ASSERTED THAT GREEK-TURKISH PROBLEMS WOULD NOT BE DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON. HE SAID PREVIOUS EFFORTS TO LINK U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONS WITH GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS HAVE BEEN COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE, AND HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO LINK THESE ISSUES.

5. COMMENT: WHILE CAGLAYANGIL'S REMARKS WERE NOT PUBLICIZED OUTSIDE THE LARGELY DIPLOMATIC WORLD OF PUE SUUBSCRIBERS, THEY ARE NOTEWORTHY AS A FURTHER INDICATION OF HIS DEFENSIVE PUBLIC STANCE REGARDING THE U.S.-TURKISH DEFENSE NEGOTIATIONS. HIS MOST POSITIVE ANSWER WAS THE AFFIRMATION THAT U.S. INSTALLATIONS ARE UNDER TURKISH COMMAND AND THAT REACTIVATION HAS NOT RPT NOT BEEN PERMITTED. HIS REMARKS ON HIS UPCOMING WASHINGTON VISIT SHOWED THE RESERVE OF A NEGOTIATOR WHO DOES NOT WANT TO GIVE AWAY ANYTHING IN ADVANCE; HE GAVE NO HINT OF AN EFFORT TO SWAY PUBLIC OPINION IN PREPARATION FOR AN AGREEMENT.  
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